

THE MADRAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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Tuesday, the 5th April 1955.

The House met in the Council Chamber, Fort St. George, at eleven of the clock, Mr. Chairman (THE HON. DR. P. V. CHERIAN) in the Chair.

I.—QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

STARRED QUESTIONS.

Protected water-supply and underground drainage schemes for municipalities in Ramanathapuram district.

* 269 Q.—SRI V. V. RAMASWAMI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) the number of municipalities in Ramanathapuram district which have at present protected water-supply and underground drainage;

(b) when the underground drainage scheme for the Virudhunagar Municipality was sanctioned, and whether it has been completed;

(c) whether there is any proposal for a comprehensive scheme of protected water-supply for Rajapalayam, Sivakasi, Srivilliputhur and Virudhunagar Municipalities; and

(d) if so, the estimated cost of the same?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—“(a) Two municipalities in the district have protected water-supply schemes. No municipality in the district has a drainage scheme.

“(b) No scheme has been sanctioned.

“(c) & (d) A protected water-supply scheme for Srivilliputhur is under execution and its estimated cost is Rs. 15·7 lakhs. The schemes for Virudhunagar and Rajapalayam are in the stage of investigation and the cost of those schemes cannot be furnished now. A scheme is yet to be investigated for Sivakasi.”

SRI V. V. RAMASWAMI :—“May I know whether there is a restricted drainage scheme sanctioned for Virudhunagar Municipality and if so, why has it not been taken up and completed?”

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—“A restricted water-supply and drainage scheme for Virudhunagar has been drawn up.”

SRI V. V. RAMASWAMI :—“A comprehensive drainage scheme for Virudhunagar was sanctioned some ten years back. May I know the priority assigned to this scheme?”

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—“The drainage scheme for Virudhunagar may probably be taken up in the second Five-Year Plan period.”

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SRI MOHAMED RAZA KHAN :—“ Is it not a fact that the Government of Madras have always been promising that all municipalities in the State will have protected water-supply and also drainage schemes? But still I think 90 out of 100 municipalities in the State do not have either protected water-supply or drainage schemes.”

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—“ We have four water-supply schemes in operation. Improvements are in progress for 12 water-supply schemes. New schemes are under execution in eight municipalities. New schemes are under investigation in six municipalities. New schemes have yet to be taken up in fourteen municipalities. As regards drainage schemes, some schemes are in operation. Drainage facilities require improvement in nine municipalities. Schemes are under execution in seven municipalities and some of them have been partially executed. Schemes are under design or investigation in six municipalities. New schemes have yet to be taken up in the remaining municipalities.”

SRI ALEXANDER GNANAMUTTU :—“ What is the usual time taken for the execution of a water-supply scheme? ”

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—“ It depends upon the scheme.”

SRI ALEXANDER GNANAMUTTU :—“ Does it usually take many years for the execution of a scheme? ”

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—“ Some times it may. Now, we are having an accelerated scheme for water-supply in several municipalities.”

SRI V. V. RAMASWAMI :—“ A restricted drainage scheme for Virudhunagar was sanctioned in the year 1944 and the whole amount sanctioned has been placed at the disposal of the department by the Municipality as and when asked. But still the scheme has not yet been completed. May I ask the Hon. Minister whether the delay is due to the separation of the Sanitary Engineering work from the Chief Engineer? If so, will the Hon. Minister be pleased to expedite the scheme without further delay? ”

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—“ The investigation and execution of schemes may be rather slow on account of various factors, viz., want of money, want of materials, want of staff, etc. But now all those difficulties are being overcome and I expect that in future the schemes will be expedited.”

SRI V. V. RAMASWAMI :—“ Will the Government take up the question of formulating a comprehensive scheme for all the municipalities, viz., Rajapalayam, Srivilliputhur, and Sivakasi so that there may be continuous supply of water to all these municipalities which are facing drought every year? ”

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THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—“ For Rajapalayam a supplemental investigation has been sanctioned. For Srivilliputhur, I have already stated that the work is nearing completion. For Sivakasi there is no protected water-supply scheme in operation and investigation will be taken up in its turn in the priority list.”

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY :—“ Is there any truth in the belief of the people that these underground drainages are responsible for typhoid in those areas? ”

MR. CHAIRMAN :—“ Exactly opposite.”

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—“ Underground drainage schemes cannot be responsible for typhoid. It is bad water that is responsible.”

Extension of educational fee concessions to the children of peons in aided institutions.

* 270 Q.—SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance and Education be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have any proposal to extend the educational fee concessions given to the children of teachers and clerks to the children of peons in aided institutions; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—“ (a) & (b) Free education to the children of all persons having an income of Rs. 1,200 and below per annum is proposed to be introduced from 1955-56. All cases mentioned by the hon. Member will be covered by this concession.”

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY :—“ Will Government kindly extend this concession so that children of peons may get free education from Forms IV to VI? ”

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—“ Sir, there are very many other cases also which will have to be considered. We have gone to the extent possible just now.”

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY :—“ As only peons in aided institutions have been left out and peons in local body institutions and Government institutions are getting the concession and in view of the fact that the Government have come forward boldly to help the poor children in respect of education, will the Government kindly consider this case also because the cost will be low? ”

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—“ What about the peons and other poor persons in other walks of life? We have to take into consideration every poor person. That is why without any consideration of categories we have just now introduced free scholarship for children of all persons coming within the income-group of Rs. 1,200. We shall consider further concessions later on.”

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SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY :—“ Do the Government know that only one category of institutions called peons are denied this privilege, whereas clerks, teachers and others are given this privilege? ”

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—“ Sir, that question will have to be considered later on. I am afraid we cannot give further concessions at this stage.”

Levy of sales tax on foodstuffs.

* 271 Q.—**SRI A. SUBRAMANYAM** (on behalf of Sri T. V. Devaraja Mudaliyar) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether there is any proposal to discontinue the levy of sales tax on foodstuffs such as coconut and milk as was done in the case of onion, potatoes, plantain leaves and betel leaves; and

(b) if not, why not?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—“ (a) & (b) There is no proposal to exempt coconuts from levy of sales tax as it is considered that they are not perishables. The question of exempting milk from levy of sales tax is under the consideration of the Government.”

SRI A. SUBRAMANYAM :—“ தேங்காய் அமுக்குவதாலும், பால் கெட்டுவிடுவதாலும் அவைகளுக்கு ஏதாகிலும் இந்த வரியிலிருந்து விலக்கு அளிக்கப்படுமா என்பதுதான் என்னுடைய கேள்வி? ”

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—“ Coconut is not such a perishable article as vegetables and fish.”

SRI A. SUBRAMANYAM :—“ சமீபத்தில் திருச்சிராப்பள்ளியில் நடைபெற்ற தேங்காய் வியாபாரிகள் மகாநாட்டில் நம்முடைய முதன்மந்திரி அவர்கள் இந்த வருஷ பட்டை முடிவடைந்துவிட்டதால் அடுத்த வருஷம் கவனிப்பதாகக் கூறியிருக்கிறார். அடுத்த வருஷத்தில் இது விஷயத்தைக் கவனித்து வரியிலிருந்து விலக்கு அளிக்கப்படுமா என்று கேட்கிறேன்.”

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—“ அந்தமாதிரி சொல்லியிருக்கலாம். இந்த வருஷம் அநேக விஷயங்களை கவனிக்கவேண்டியிருக்கிறது. அடுத்த வருஷத்தைப்பற்றி பிறகு பார்த்துக் கொள்ளலாம்? ”

SRI MOHAMED RAZA KHAN :—“ Apart from milk which the Government are considering to exempt from the levy of sales tax, are they considering the exemption of other perishable commodities? ”

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—“ Sir, only milk is under consideration.”

SRI T. M. DAIVASIKHAMANI ACHARIAR :—“ Will the Government consider the question of exempting perishable green chillies from sales tax? ”

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—“ We have already exempted certain vegetables from sales tax. I think the hon.

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Member draws attention to the fact that chilli does not come under that category. It is not a perishable article. Probably on that account it has not been exempted."

DR. V. K. JOHN :—" Will the Hon. Minister examine and see that no sales tax is imposed on essential food articles? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—" It is a very large question. That is not under consideration now."

Flood havoc in Cuddalore.

* 272 Q.—SRI M. ETHIRAJULU : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that Cuddalore is being subjected to havoc by floods every year; and

(b) if so, what measures the Government propose to take to avoid damages thereby to lives and properties of the people therein?

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" (a) No. Cuddalore is subjected to floods during the years when there are excessive rains lasting several days or a series of successive storm periods that cause floods.

" (b) A proposal for forming a system of flood banks to protect Cuddalore town from floods was initiated in 1947, but it was deferred in 1951 on account of the poor finances of the State at that time. The proposal has since been revived and the Government are awaiting a report from the Chief Engineer."

SRI M. ETHIRAJULU :—" வெள்ளத்தடுப்பு வேலையைக் கவனிப்பதற்கு மத்திய சர்க்கார் 10 கோடி ரூபாயில் ராஜாங்கங்களுக்கு ஒதுக்கப்பட்ட ரூபாய் எவ்வளவு என்று சொல்ல முடியுமா? "

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" A separate question may be put."

SRI M. ETHIRAJULU :—" இந்த ராஜ்யத்தில் ஏற்படக்கூடிய வெள்ளத் தடுப்பு வேலையை உடனடியாகக் கவனிப்பதற்கு இரண்டாவது ஐந்தாண்டுத் திட்டத்தில் இதைச் சேர்க்க முடியுமா? "

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" This is a question being considered by this Government. The report of the Chief Engineer is awaited. The question of including it in the Five-Year Plan or otherwise will be considered afterwards."

Repairs to Tiruvendipuram anicut in South Arcot district.

* 273 Q.—SRI M. ETHIRAJULU : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have received any representation in or about October 1954 in regard to repairs to the Tiruvendipuram anicut in South Arcot district; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

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THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—“(a) Yes.

“(b) The requests in the petition have been examined in consultation with the Chief Engineer (Irrigation) and the Collector.

It is proposed to provide screw-gearing shutters to the existing scour vents in the anicut and also construct five additional scour vents with screw-gearing arrangements. It is also proposed to excavate a leading channel in the river bed upstream of the scour vents and to construct a few groynes on the left side upstream of the point where there is a concave bend of the river, with a view to encourage accretion on the left side and to divert the flow on to the right. The Superintending Engineer has been instructed to carry out the above improvements expeditiously as it is expected that after these are carried out there will be sufficient heading up of water in front of the anicut.”

SRI M. ETHIRAJULU :—“தென் ஆற்காடு ஜில்லாவை ஸர்பிளஸ் எரியா என்று சொல்லப்படுகிறது. ஆனால் சிதம்பரம் தாலுகாவைத் தவிர மற்ற இடங்களெல்லாம் வறண்ட பூமியாக இருப்பது எல்லோருக்கும் தெரியும். ஆகையால் சிதம்பரத்திற்கு அருகாமையில் ஓடும் வெள்ளாற்றின் ஜலத்தை வடலூர் பக்கத்தில் இருக்கக்கூடிய பின்னலூர் வழியாகத் திருப்பி வறண்ட பூமியாகிய குறிஞ்சிப்பாடி, குள்ளஞ்சாவடி போன்ற இடங்களுக்கு நீர்ப்பாசன வசதி செய்து கொடுக்க முடியுமா என்று கேட்கிறேன்?”

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—“It is a separate question. That has no bearing on the question that has been put here.”

Utilization of the waters of the Palar river for irrigation purposes in North Arcot and Chingleput districts.

* 274 Q.—SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) the details of the agreement, if any, reached hitherto between the Governments of Madras and Mysore in the matter of letting out the waters of the Palar river for purposes of irrigation in North Arcot and Chingleput districts in Madras State;

(b) whether the Madras Government have investigated into the causes for the present fall in the freshes in the Palar river flowing into Madras territory, and if so, what they are;

(c) whether the Madras Government have taken up the matter with the Mysore Government, and if so, with what result and whether the Government will be pleased to place the correspondence on the table of the House;

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(d) whether the Madras Government addressed the Central Government to effect a settlement with the Mysore Government in the matter of letting out the waters of the Palar river for irrigation purposes in Madras territory and if so, when and whether any further move has been made in the matter; and

(e) whether any representations have been received by the Madras Government from the ryots of Palar basin in this matter and if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—“(a) The Palar is one of the rivers coming within the scope of the agreement of 1892 between Madras and Mysore Governments and no new anicut or reservoir which would result in the diversion of water from the river beyond certain limits can be constructed by Mysore without the previous consent of Madras. An understanding was reached in regard to the Bethamangalam tank in Mysore State in 1902 when the Mysore Government proposed to increase the capacity of the Bethamangalam tank. They then agreed that the waters of this tank would be used only for domestic and industrial purposes of the Kolar Gold Fields and that the yearly draw-off of 72 m.c.ft. would not at any time be increased by them without a previous reference to the Madras Government. In 1933 the Mysore Government agreed to examine whether, and to what extent, it would be possible to supply the information asked for by the Madras Government and if so, at what cost.

“(b) & (c) Certain suggestions made in 1949 for getting more water in the Palar were examined by the Government in consultation with the Chief Engineer, but it was ultimately found that no steps could be taken as suggested. But the question of unlawful interception of supplies in the river in the limits of Mysore had been examined from time to time during the previous three decades and in that process the Government of Mysore had been addressed for information several times and the information actually obtained had not been helpful for arriving at a definite conclusion. The Government have not, however, dropped the matter.

The Government do not consider that any useful purpose will be served by placing the correspondence on the table of the House.

“(d) No representation was sent to the Union Government as assumed in the question, but while sending a reply to that Government regarding a reference from them, this Government requested them in June 1954 to use their good offices in the matter of supply to this Government of full and correct information by Mysore regarding the capacity of and the use of waters in the works in the Palar basin in Mysore limits. This Government are now considering a proposal to request the

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Government of India to constitute a council under Article 263 of the Constitution of India to make enquiries into the matter and suggest suitable remedies. The proposal envisages the council being comprised of persons not belonging to either of the two States involved.

“(e) A memorandum on the subject setting forth the resolutions passed at the North Arcot-Chingleput Ryots' Conference held at Kaveripakkam on 26th December 1954, has been received in January 1955. After examination it is proposed to address the Government of India as stated above.”

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM :—“ Have the Government investigated into the complaint voiced on the floor of the House by the ex-Chief Minister Sri O. P. Ramaswami Reddiar with regard to this question, Sir, that Palar water is being directed to more lakes within Mysore than were stipulated in the 1892 agreement referred to by the Hon. Minister? ”

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—“ For the last three decades this question has been engaging the attention of this Government and there is no positive proof for the Government to establish the fact that they have violated the provisions of the agreement.”

SRI MOHAMED RAZA KHAN :—“ I want to make a submission. The question is very important, but the reply is rather lengthy. Therefore, Members may not try to put supplementary questions unless the reply is placed on the table of the House. Further, the Minister's speech was a little bit terrific so much so that we could not cope with the speed. Therefore, I request him to place the reply on the table of the House tomorrow so that Members may be able to put supplementary questions.”

DR. V. K. JOHN :—“ We may have this matter discussed at length on the floor of this House in the form of a half-hour debate.”

MR. CHAIRMAN :—“ Let the Hon. Minister reply to the suggestion made.”

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—“ Regarding speed, this is the first time I hear that I have not been understood. I shall try to slow my speed.”

SRI MOHAMED RAZA KHAN :—“ The reply is really important. But it has been a lengthy one.”

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—“ It cannot be placed on the table of the House. As regards discussion, it is for the Hon. Chairman to decide.”

DR. V. K. JOHN :—“ He is interested in speed.”

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—“ That is a different question.”

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SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM :—“ Have the Government any records to show that more water is being impounded now in Bethamangalam tank than what was allotted to Mysore under the agreement referred to by the Hon. Minister? ”

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—“ In respect of the Bethamangalam tank they raised the bund level by 9 feet with the concurrence and express approval of this Government in 1902 and they gave an assurance that they were doing that for the purpose of offset against drought years for storage, and in that case they would never draw beyond 72 m.c.ft. That agreement has not been violated. That is what the Government of India have also said recently.”

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM :—“ With reference to the answer to clause (c), may I invite attention to the statement in the Mysore Gazetteer itself that the entire water of the Palar is being intercepted within Mysore and in view of the fact that more than 75,000 acres under the Palar basin this side require water from the Palar, may I know whether the Government have sought a solution to this problem by negotiation with the Mysore Government by high-level Ministerial talks as they have successfully done in the case of Periyar waters with the Travancore-Cochin Government? ”

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—“ That is what we are trying to do. The point is we can only ask the Government of India to interfere under Article 263 of the Constitution of India to appoint an impartial body to inquire into the whole question and that we are proposing to do now. We cannot do it ourselves. The Mysore Government are saying that they have not violated the agreement. They are at a standstill now. The only course open to us is to make a proposal to the Government of India to appoint a body to go into this question.”

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM :—“ May I know whether the present reference to the Central Government on this Palar question relates to Palar only or is it a general reference to set up a council under Article 263 of the Constitution to deal with all such cases? ”

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—“ Only with reference to the Palar question.”

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM :—“ Will not the Government take this up as a general question in view of the necessity for pooling the water resources in South Indian States so that we can utilize all the available waters of the rivers in South India to the maximum extent possible instead of allowing them to go waste into the sea? ”

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—“ Sir, we need not apprehend any difficulty with reference to other questions. As and when they arise, they can be efficiently tackled. So long as Article 263 is there, we need not worry.”

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SRI V. V. RAMASWAMI :—“ இந்தப் பாலாறு சம்பந்தமாக செக்ஷன் 263-ப்படி மத்திய அரசாங்கத்திற்கு எழுதியாகிவிட்டதா? ”

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—“ We propose to address them.”

DR. A. SREENIVASAN :—“ Do the Government know that three gold mines in Kolar have been closed down and that the water used by those mines has been impounded by the Mysore State? Further, to-day's papers carry the news that most of the mining activities in Mysore State will come to an end because of the royalty imposed by the Government being doubled, and it is likely that the water used by them also may be impounded by the Mysore State? ”

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—“ We have no information about these things. Only the Council we have asked for can go into all this.”

DR. V. K. JOHN :—“ Considering the great importance of this matter, may I suggest that we have a half-hour discussion on this subject so that we can know and appreciate the present position clearly? ”

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—“ May I say a word, Sir? This is an inter-State problem and I do not think any discussion here will lead to any solution. It may be left to the Government to tackle it as best as they can. Perhaps a discussion here may create further difficulties.”

MR. CHAIRMAN :—“ I do not think any discussion will help as the Hon. the Finance Minister has said. We can have as many supplementaries as we want. Any half-hour discussion will not enable the Government to arrive at any agreement with the other State.”

DR. V. K. JOHN :—“ May I ask whether the Government of India are sympathetic with regard to the position taken up by the Government of Madras? ”

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—“ I am not a mind-reader.”

MR. CHAIRMAN :—“ Where is the need for a half-hour debate, when there is not even one more supplementary forthcoming? ” (Laughter.)

Supply of water from Mysore State into Palar river for irrigation in North Arcot and Chingleput districts.

* 275 Q.—**SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM** : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) whether any representation has been received by Government from the Chairman of the Standing Committee of the North

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Arcot-Chingleput Ryots' Conference held in the Madras State in December 1954 regarding supply of water from Mysore State into Palar river for irrigation in the above two districts;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Government of India were addressed by the Government of Madras to use their good offices towards a satisfactory agreement with the Government of Mysore in this matter and with what result;

(c) whether it is a fact that the Government of India have addressed a communication to the Madras Government regarding the sharing of the waters of the Palar river; if so, whether the Government will be pleased to lay the correspondence on the table of the House;

(d) what steps are proposed to be taken to bring about an early settlement between Mysore and Madras Governments so that the supply of waters to the Palar river from Mysore might be assured without interception; and

(e) whether this was referred to the Government of India by the Madras Government for decision under Article IV of the 1892 agreement between Madras and Mysore Governments and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—“(a) A memorandum on the subject setting forth the resolutions passed at the North Arcot-Chingleput Ryots' Conference held at Kaveripakkam on 26th December 1954 has been received in January 1955.”

“(b) No representation was sent to the Union Government as assumed in the question but while sending a reply to that Government on a reference from them, in June 1954 this Government requested them to use their good offices in the matter of supply to this Government of full and correct information by Mysore regarding the capacity of and the use of waters in the works in the Palar basin in Mysore limits.

“(c) No. No useful purpose will be served by placing copies of the correspondence on the subject on the table of the House.

“(d) This Government are now considering a proposal to request the Government of India to constitute a Council under Article 263 of the Constitution of India to make enquiries into the matter and suggest suitable remedies. The proposal envisages the Council being comprised of persons not belonging to either of the two States involved.

“(e) No. There is no case at present for action under the Article quoted.”

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM :—“Will the Hon. the Minister enlighten us when this matter will be taken up with the Government of India?”

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—“We are proposing to address them. Any time we will send the communication.”

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SRI MOHAMED RAZA KHAN :—“ How do the Government reconcile the two propositions—a half-hour debate will not help the solution of the problem; at the same time, the Revenue Minister presiding over a conference can help to solve the problem? ”

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—“ I only participated in it.”

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—“ When the half-hour debate cannot solve it, we do not claim that a conference can solve it.”

SRI K. BHASHYAM :—“ It was said that the Government of India would be addressed. Instead of making a specific proposal, will it not be good if Ministers are left free to negotiate with the Government of India and the Mysore Government? ”

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—“ The Mysore Government say in reply to repeated representations that they have not violated the agreement. We are unable to get further information. Therefore we have got to approach the Government of India to help us more or less as an arbitrating body. After they appoint a Council and after that Council goes into the question and gives its findings, we must take further action. That Council has to go into the agreement and see whether it has been violated or the terms of the agreement abused. After its findings are available, we can ask the Government of India to interfere or intervene on our behalf and remedy the whole situation. Till then nothing can be done.”

SRI K. BHASHYAM :—“ Even if there is no violation of the agreement, cannot this Government make a representation to the Central Government to see that the whole question is reconsidered and the agreement entered into long ago re-examined and that a new agreement is entered into so as to allow us a reasonable supply of water from Palar? ”

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—“ All these things will come afterwards. We need not waste our time over it now. The Council is more or less a fact-finding committee and let it gather particulars. Afterwards let us think about all this.”

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM :—“ Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works take a trip to Delhi and make a personal approach to the Government of India in the Ministries concerned? ”

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—“ That will not help much. After all we are now asking for the constitution of a fact-finding body. We are not going to make any representation supplying fresh facts. No extra facts will be placed at their disposal. Any personal trip on my part to Delhi will not serve any purpose but I have no objection to make a trip to Delhi on a holiday if the hon. Member wants it.”

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DR. A. SREENIVASAN :—“ Are the Government of Madras entitled to any compensation if it is found that the Government of Mysore have violated the agreement? ”

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—“ All that will arise only after the fact-finding body gives its opinion.”

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM :—“ Will the Government forward a copy of the Council proceedings on this subject to the Central Government along with their communication requesting the constitution of the Arbitration Council? ”

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—“ Proceedings of this House? ”

DR. V. K. JOHN :—“ May I know when this Government approached the Government of India under Article 263 for the appointment of a Council for co-ordination between the two States? ”

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—“ It is proposed. We are going to address the Government of India.”

DR. V. K. JOHN :—“ May I suggest that you approach the Government of India as quickly as possible to take action under Article 263 of the Constitution? ”

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—“ We are proposing to do it almost immediately.”

Electric current charges for the Avadi Session of the Indian National Congress.

* 276 Q.—SRI V. GURUNANDAN ROW : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) the expenditure incurred by the Government in giving electric connexions and on account of electric current charges for the Avadi Session of the Indian National Congress; and

(b) whether the Government will be pleased to place on the table of the House a copy of the agreement, if any, entered into between the Government and the Indian National Congress for the supply of electricity?

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—“ (a) An expenditure of Rs. 4,193 was incurred on account of laying lines, etc., in giving temporary supply of electricity to the 60th Session of the Indian National Congress at Avadi and a sum of Rs. 7,673-13-0 is payable by the Reception Committee towards current consumption charges. According to the rules governing temporary supply of electricity such expenditure will have to be reimbursed by the consumer. The Reception Committee has already paid Rs. 8,210 on this account and the balance will be collected expeditiously.

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“(b) No agreements are entered into with the consumers in the case of temporary supply of electricity.”

DR. V. K. JOHN :—“ Would it not be in order for the Government to make a contribution towards the expenditure on the Avadi Session of the Congress in the matter of supply of electricity? ”

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—“ That question does not arise. We have collected the money and there is no question of supply gratis. If the hon. Member wants it, let him bring in a resolution.”

Number of Baby Taxis plying in the City of Madras.

* 277 Q.—SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) the number of Baby Taxis plying in the City of Madras as on 1st February 1955;

(b) the number of applications for licence to ply Baby Taxis received by the Commissioner of Police, Madras, from the date of its introduction till 1st December 1954;

(c) the prescribed authority to consider and select the licensees; and

(d) whether the Government have considered the desirability of (i) increasing the number of Baby Taxis in the City of Madras, and (ii) introducing the same in the mufassal stations?

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—“ (a) 106.

“ (b) 430.

“ (c) The Regional Transport Authority in the mufassal and the Road Traffic Board in the City are the competent authorities to grant contract carriage permits which include Baby Taxis.

“ (d) There is no proposal pending with Government for increasing the number of Baby Taxis in the City and there have also been no representations to this effect. As regards the mufassal, the Government have accorded approval to the proposals of the Central Road Traffic Board for the introduction of Baby Taxis in Malabar and Tanjore districts. The question of introducing Baby Taxis in other districts is under consideration.”

11-30 a.m. SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM :—“ Are these licences being granted in the order of priority with reference to the date of the applications? ”

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—“ I do not think these licences would be given on the order of priority. Every case would be gone into according to merits.”

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SRI MOHAMED RAZA KHAN :—" What is the exact number of baby-taxis prescribed to be run in the City of Madras? "

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" One hundred and six baby-taxis are now running in the City. We have not prescribed any number."

DR. V. K. JOHN :—" Will the Government give an assurance that in the granting of these licences, no favouritism would be shown? "

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" That is the usual aspersion which the hon. Member is always indulging in. I do not think that such unwarranted insinuations warrant any reply."

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM :—" As it is evident from the answers given to clauses (a) and (b) of the question that there is a large number of applications still pending showing the demand for baby-taxis, will the Government sanction the issue of more licences for baby-taxis to be put on the roads in the City? "

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" Government would consider the granting of sufficient number of licences for baby-taxis to cope with the public demand."

SRI V. GURUNANDAN ROW :—" Is there any restriction as to the age of the baby-taxis, whether they are of 1950 or 1951 model: before they are registered as taxis? "

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" I do not think it is so. Public taxis which are considered to be really useful and serviceable are directed to be run on the roads."

SRI MOHAMED RAZA KHAN :—" Is the Hon. Minister aware that there is a growing demand in the City for these baby-taxis? There has been a representation to the Commissioner of Police that more licences should be given for plying more baby-taxis? Therefore will the Government take a decision prescribing the maximum number of baby-taxis that could ply in the City, consistent with the present public demand? "

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" We cannot be going on increasing the public taxis here and there. As I said before to cope with public demand, enough licences would be given for plying of baby-taxis."

SRI ALEXANDER GNANAMUTTU :—" Will the Government think of allowing the plying of baby-taxis in other mufassal districts than the two districts mentioned? "

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" That proposal is under the consideration of Government. I have said so in an answer to a previous question."

DR. V. K. JOHN :—" Have the Government made any estimate or have they conducted any survey regarding the demand for these baby-taxis in the City? "

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THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" There is no need to make any survey. The Board meets periodically and whenever it feels that there is need for granting more licences for the plying of baby-taxis the required licences would be given. As I have already said even now there are 430 applications for the grant of licences. These applications would be gone into and enough permits to cope with the public demand for baby-taxis would be given. Therefore there is no need to make any survey regarding the demand for these baby-taxis in the city."

SRI M. ETHIRAJULU :—" பொதுமக்கள் செளகரியத்தை முன்னிட்டு, பெரிய டாக்ஸிகளுக்கு போடப்பட்டிருக்கும் மைலுக்கு 12 அணு என்றிருக்கும் கட்டணத்தைக் குறைப்பதற்கு ஏதாவது சர்க்காரில் யோசனை இருக்கிறதா ? "

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" இப்போது சின்ன டாக்ஸி விஷயத்தைப்பற்றிப் பேசப்படுகிறது. பெரிய டாக்ஸியில் போவதற்கு கஷ்டப்படுபவர்கள் சின்ன டாக்ஸியில் போகலாம். பெரிய டாக்ஸியில் இதுவரையில் 4 பேர் போகலாம் என்று இருந்தது. ஆனால் இப்போது 5 பேர்கள் போகலாம் என்று உத்திரவு போட்டிருக்கிறார்கள்."

UNSTARRED QUESTIONS.

Exemptions granted under the Madras Shops and Establishments Act, 1947.

24 Q.—**SRI V. GURUNANDAN ROW** : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to lay on the table of the House a list of all the exemptions of persons or classes of persons, establishments or classes of establishments under the Madras Shops and Establishments Act, 1947, which are now in force; and to state—

(a) in how many of the above cases the Government have consulted the employees before passing the order of exemption;

(b) in how many cases permanent exemption has been granted; and

(c) in how many cases exemption has been granted from all the provisions of the above Act?

A.—A list ^a of exemptions granted is placed on the table of the House.

(a) In none of the cases were the employees consulted.

(b) 86.

(c) 24.

Full fee concession to the children of women teachers.

25 Q.—**SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM** : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance and Education be pleased to state—

(a) whether the children of women teachers employed in institutions managed by local bodies and also of those in Government employ are eligible for full fee concession for their studies;

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(b) whether this concession is allowed to the children of Local Fund women teachers studying in Government high schools and, if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether any representation has been received by the Government for equality in treatment of children of all women teachers and if so, the orders passed thereon?

A.—(a) The children of women teachers employed in institutions managed by local bodies and also of those in Government employ are eligible for full fee concession provided the income of such teachers employed in institutions managed by local bodies together with the income if any of their husbands does not exceed Rs. 50 a month and that in the case of widows the income does not exceed Rs. 75 per month and that in the case of women teachers in Government educational institutions the pay should not exceed Rs. 100 per month and in the case of widows the pay should not exceed Rs. 125 per month.

(b) This concession is not allowed to the children of women teachers in the employ of a local board or municipal council studying in a Government High School as originally it was intended to grant the concession to the children of women teachers working in Government schools only, on financial grounds.

(c) There does not seem to have been any representation from anybody for equality in treatment.

Application for grant of free lands for cultivation or housing.

26 Q.—SRI T. M. DAIVASIKHAMANI ACHARIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether any application was received from the rural Viswakarma industrialist of Ayyampet, Tanjore district, for grant of free lands for cultivation or housing; and if so, when;

(b) whether these essential village industrialists are treated as village artisans for the above purpose; and

(c) in which districts grants of land or house-sites have been made or are proposed to be made to the rural industrialists such as carpenters, blacksmiths, wheelrights and plough and loom-makers?

A.—(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) There is no special provision for treating the village industrialists as village artisans for the purpose of assignment of lands.

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- (c) There are no proposals for grant of land or house-sites to the rural industrialists as such. Agricultural lands are being assigned to the landless poor according to the existing instructions.

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MR. CHAIRMAN :—" This Court Fees Bill will be taken up day after tomorrow. The other Bills will be taken up tomorrow. The House will now adjourn and meet again tomorrow at 2-30 p.m."

The House then adjourned.

III.—PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE OF THE HOUSE.

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MR. CHAIRMAN :—“ Is not the Hon. Minister presenting the Bills today? ”

* THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—“ No, Sir, not in this atmosphere.”

* SRI K. BHASHYAM :—“ Sir, the Hon. Minister for Finance and Law was kind enough to say that the Court Fees Bill may be taken up day after tomorrow. I only want to point out that this has become the rule rather than an exception. I request that the rules may be followed and proper time be given in future.”

* THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—“ Sir, I am really sorry that the hon. Member is making this complaint. We adjourned the Council to the 5th April, that is today, in order that there may be sufficient time for hon. Members of this House to consider the Bills passed by the Assembly. Sir, the Court Fees Bill was passed long ago in the Assembly and it was also transmitted to this House.”

MR. CHAIRMAN :—“ The Court Fees Bill was passed in the other House some time back and hon. Members of this House have had enough time to read the Bill and learn it also. It was only a question of giving notice of some amendments. So, this need not be made as a serious complaint that proper time was not given.”

* SRI K. BHASHYAM :—“ Sir, it is a matter of opinion. We know our difficulties in the matter. Sir, you are occupying a position between the Government and hon. Members of the House. We are to deal with a difficult Bill. We have to carefully look into it and give our suggestions in respect of the Bill. It is for this.

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purpose only I was saying that we wanted some time to go through the Bill. It is only after going through the Bill we can make our suggestions for the consideration of the House and the Government."

MR. CHAIRMAN :—" This Court Fees Bill will be taken up day after tomorrow. The other Bills will be taken up tomorrow. The House will now adjourn and meet again tomorrow at 2-30 p.m."

The House then adjourned.

III.—PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE OF THE HOUSE.

1. Notification No. II issued with G.O. No. 154, Health, Education and Local Administration, dated 4th February 1955, regarding inclusion of certain area within the limits of the Salem District Board.

2. (i) G.O. Ms. No. 525, Home, dated 28th February 1955, regarding rule amending Schedule II to the Madras Motor Vehicles Taxation Act, 1931 (Madras Act III of 1931).

(ii) Notification No. 214, issued with G.O. Ms. No. 525, Home, dated 28th February 1955, regarding certain amendments to notifications under the Madras Motor Vehicles Taxation Act, 1931 (Madras Act III of 1931).

3. Notification No. II issued with G.O. No. 1509, Health, Education and Local Administration, dated 29th October 1954, regarding exclusion of certain area from the limits of the Tirunelveli District Board and inclusion of the same within the limits of Tuticorin Municipality.

4. Notification No. II issued with G.O. No. 1589, Health, Education and Local Administration, dated 13th November 1954, regarding exclusion of certain area from the limits of the South Kanara District Board and inclusion of the same within the limits of Mangalore Municipality.

5. Bills passed by the Assembly and received therefrom in the Council—

^a (a) The Madras Court Fees and Suits Valuation Bill, 1954 (L.A. Bill No. 25 of 1954).

^b (b) The Madras City Civil Court (Amendment) Bill, 1955 (L.A. Bill No. 7 of 1955).

^a (c) The Madras Cinemas (Regulation) Bill, 1954 (L.A. Bill No. 52 of 1954).

^b (d) The Presidency Small Cause Courts (Madras Amendment) Bill, 1955 (L.A. Bill No. 8 of 1955).

^a Sent by post on 2nd April 1955.

^b Sent by post on 1st April 1955.

APPENDIX.

[Vide answer to unstarred question No. 24 asked by Sri V. Guranandan Row at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on 5th April 1955, page 830 supra.]

STATEMENT I.—List of permanent exemptions granted under the Madras Shops and Establishments Act, 1947, from all the provisions of the Act.

Serial number and establishments and persons exempted.

1 (i) Advocates' chambers, (ii) doctors' consulting rooms, (iii) dispensaries attached to doctors' consulting rooms, (iv) nursing homes, hospitals and other institutions for the treatment of the care of the sick, the infirm, the destitute or the mentally unfit.

2 Research Laboratory, Madras.

3 Office of the Registered Accountants and Auditors.

4 Offices of the Air Service Companies operating in this State.

5 All establishments whose activities are mainly educational and hostels attached to such establishments.

6 All establishments run by the Indian Coffee Board in the State of Madras.

7 Accountant and the Chief Cashier of branches of all banks in the State of Madras.

8 Offices of the Agents of the Labour Department of United Planters' Association of South India.

9 Offices of the Income-tax Practitioners.

10 Establishments of the Ceylon Emigration Commissioner and Ceylon Labour Commissioner.

11 Madukkarai Military Canteen at Coimbatore.

12 Office, book-shops, library of the Dakshina Bharat Hindustani Prachar Sabha, Madras.

13 Book-stalls in Railway premises.

14 (a) Book-stalls run by Higginbothams, Limited, in harbour premises.

(b) Persons employed in factories in any kind of work.

15 Persons employed on contract basis in handloom establishments (subject to certain conditions).

16 The Egmore Benefit Society Third Branch, Madras.

17 Gold, silver and other jewellery workers on contract basis (subject to certain conditions).

18 All-India Spinners' Association Khadi Vastralayas in this State.

19 Young Women's Christian Association, Madras.

20 All persons employed in Junnady Processing Industry and who are paid on the basis of the amount of work turned out and not by measure of time (subject to certain conditions).

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**STATEMENT II.—List of permanent exemptions granted under the
Madras Shops and Establishments Act, 1947, from
certain provisions of the Act.**

<i>Serial number and establishments and persons exempted.</i>	<i>Sections from which exempted.</i>
(1)	(2)
1 Establishments engaged in the manufacturing of ice	Sections 7 and 11 (1).
2 (i) Petrol bunks, (ii) chemists and druggists shops, (iii) shops and establishments situated within 100 yards of railway premises, bus stands under the control of local bodies, theatres and places of public amusements or entertainments, (iv) shops situated within vegetable markets under the control of local bodies, (v) motor transport undertakings, (vi) Shipping department of commercial establishments, and (vii) departments engaged in recording transactions in day cash-books in commercial establishments.	Sections 7 and 13.
3 Stalls and refreshment rooms situated in the premises which are factories, stalls and refreshment rooms where in 500 or more workers are ordinarily employed; and within a radius of 100 yards of any of the gates of such factories provided they are run by the management of the factory or by any association connected with the factory.	Do.
4 Establishments engaged in purchasing, taking delivery, weighing, clearing, dyeing, stocking and despatching groundnuts in South Arcot district.	Do.
5 Potato mundies situated within the limits of the Mettupalayam Municipality.	Section 7 (1).
6 All establishments situated in the Adivaram of Palni Municipality, Madurai district, on Krithigai days.	Do.
7 All Shops and establishments situated in Nagore Town portion of Nagapattinam Municipality on Thursday nights.	Do.
8 Shops situated inside the premises of theatres	Do.
9 Dyeing establishments in all districts in the State	Do.
10 All dispensaries which are kept open during nights	Section 9.
11 Employees in shops	Section 9 (2).
12 All shops dealing exclusively in all or any of the following articles :—Vegetables, meat, fish, dairy produce, bread, flowers, medicines, surgical appliances, bandages or other medical requisites including tooth paste, tooth brushes and medicated soaps.	Section 11 (1).
13 Shops exclusively dealing in all or any of the following articles :—(i) Fruits, (ii) betel leaves, (iii) plantain leaves and (iv) eggs.	Do.
14 Hair-dressing saloons attached to the Connemara Hotel, Madras.	Do.
15 Refrigeration and air-conditioning departments of the following companies :—(i) Messrs. Addison and Company, (ii) Messrs. Richardson and Cruddas, (iii) Messrs. Beardsell and Company, Limited, (iv) Messrs. Mohamed Ebrahim and Company and (v) Messrs. Spencer and Company, Limited.	Do.
16 Refrigeration and air-conditioning departments of the following companies :—(i) Messrs. Binny and Company (Madras), Limited, (ii) Messrs. Gillanders Arbuthnot and Company, (iii) Messrs. Gordon Woodroffe and Company (Madras), Limited, and (iv) Messrs. Volkart Brothers.	Do.
17 All shops in the area within the jurisdiction of Tiruppurur Panchayat on Krithigai days.	Do.

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<i>Serial number and establishments and persons exempted.</i>	<i>Sections from which exempted.</i>
(1)	(2)
18 All stalls run by licensees in railway premises in the State of Madras.	Section 11 (1)
19 All shops within the limits of Tiruvallur Municipality on newmoon days.	Do.
20 All stalls and refreshment rooms situated within the bus stands under the control of local bodies.	Do.
21 All shops in municipal division (Kodambakkam) on Krithigai days.	Do.
22 All shops in Palani Municipality on Krithigai days	Do.
23 All shops carrying on the business of funeral undertakings.	Do.
24 All shops in the State of Madras so far as receiving of goods into the shops is concerned.	Do.
25 All shops dealing mainly in aerated waters	Do.
26 Premises No. 50, First Agraharam, Salem, in respect of business connected with Insurance Agent.	Do.
27 Shops where the work of tanning of raw skin and hides is carried on.	Do.
28 Shops situated inside the premises of theatres	Do.
29 Establishments of independent handloom weavers	Do.
30 Dyeing establishments in all districts in the State	Do.
31 Out Agencies run on behalf of Southern Railway in the State.	Sections 13 and 15.
32 Mylapore Hindu Permanent Fund, Limited, Madras	Section 13 (1).
33 Madras Government Servants' Co-operative House Mortgage Bank, Limited, Gopalapuram, Madras.	Do.
34 Offices of the Combined Booking Agency in the district of South Kanara.	Do.
35 Nungambakkam Sasvatha Danarakshaka Nidhi, Limited, Madras.	Do.
36 All establishments situated in the Adivaram of Palani Municipality, Madurai district, on Krithigai days.	Do.
37 All shops and establishments situated in Nagore Town portion of Nagapattinam Municipality on Thursday nights.	Do.
38 All banks in the State of Madras for half-yearly and annual closing of accounts.	Do.
39 All cinema theatres in respect of censor and trade shows	Do.
40 Electric Supply Corporation in the State of Madras	Do.
41 Telephone operators of the Mudis Group Office of the Bombay-Burma Trading Corporation, Limited, Coimbatore.	Sections 13 (1) and 14 (2).
42 Local delivery sections of Sri Rama Vilas Service, Limited, Madras, in Madras Central, Egmore and Harbour premises.	Section 13 (1).
43 Scheduled banks in the State for the half-yearly closing of accounts.	Sections 14 and 15.
44 All insurance companies in the State for the half-yearly closing of accounts.	Section 14.
45 Messrs. Burmah-Shell Oil Storage and Distributing Company of India, Limited, in respect of shipping clerks.	Sections 14 (1) and 15.
46 Fixed number of stenographers in commercial establishments in the State of Madras.	Section 14.
47 All persons engaged in entering and clearing ships, loading and unloading cargo and attending to customs and port formalities in all ports.	Sections 14 (1) and 15.

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Serial number and establishments and persons exempted.	Sections from which exempted.
(1)	(2)
48 Ticket clerks of the combined booking Agency, Mangalore.	Section 14 (1) and 15.
49 Employees in establishments other than shops	Section 14 (2).
50 Theatres and places of public amusement or entertainment in the State of Madras.	Sections 14 (2) and 15.
51 All restaurants, eating houses and residential hotels ..	Section 15.
52 Non-scheduled banks in the State for the half-yearly closing of accounts.	Sections 14 and 15.
53 All commercial establishments in the State for the half-yearly and annual closing of accounts.	Do.
54 All branches of Imperial Bank of India in the State of Madras, conducting Government transactions in respect of the last working day of each financial year.	Do.
55 Sweepers and cleaners working in establishments other than shops.	Do.
56 Staff employed by the City Transport, Limited, Coimbatore, in the bus-stand and booking offices.	Section 15.
57 Staff employed by the Anamalais Bus Transport, Limited, Pollachi, in their bus stands and booking offices.	Do.
58 Staff employed in the restaurants and refreshment rooms by Messrs. Spencer and Company in railway stations.	Do.
59 Madras Provincial Co-operative Bank	Section 25 (2).
60 Messrs. Spencer and Company, Limited, Madras and its branches in respect of wages of persons employed.	Section 32 (1).
61 Persons employed on contract for fixed period	Section 41.
62 Imperial Bank of India, Madras	Section 34.
63 All petrol bunks and storage depots for petrol and other petroleum products in the State of Madras.	Chapters II and III.
64 Watchmen	Do.
Messengers	Chapters II and III [except sub-sections (2) and (6) of section 11 and sub-sections (1) and (4) of section 16].
65 Stock yards at Salt Cotaurs, Tata Iron and Steel Company, Limited, Madras.	Chapter II subject to certain conditions.
66 The booking offices of the Gobald Motor Service, Limited, at Mettupalayam, Tiruppur, Dharapuram, Gobichettipalayam, Erode and Satyamangalam.	Section 13 (1).

**STATEMENT III.--List of exemptions granted under the
Madras Shops and Establishments Act, 1947,
from all the provisions of the Act.**

Temporary (for a period of one year).

Serial number and establishments and persons exempted.	Conditions, if any.
1 Madurai Devi Bala Vinotha Sangeetha Sabha (camping at Madras).	All provisions
2 Devi Nataga Sabha, Madras	Do.

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*Serial number and establishments and persons exempted.**Conditions,
if any.*

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| 3 | All registered co-operative societies in the State | All the provisions subject to the adoption of special by-laws. |
| 4 | Shops and establishments employing 3 and less than 3 workers in the State. | All the provisions subject to maintenance of visit book. |

**STATEMENT IV.—List of exemptions granted under the
Madras Shops and Establishments Act, 1947,
from certain provisions of the Act.**

Temporary (for one year).

*Serial number and establishments and persons exempted.**Conditions,
if any.*

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| 1 | Establishments carrying on manufacturing process with the aid of electrical energy. | Sections 7 (1) and 11 (1). |
| 2 | Union mundies in Tiruppur, Coimbatore district (seasonal). | Section 11 (1). |



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